

MARCH 2020



St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church

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DAYLIGHT SAVINGS BEGINS

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
1	8:00 am WORSHIP 9:15 am Lenten Study 9:15 am Senior Choir 10:30 am WORSHIP (Children's Church) 3:15 pm Handbell rehearsal 6:00 pm Scouts 7:00 pm SH Youth Group	2 4:30 pm LSS 5:00 pm Scouts 6:30 pm Pak #112 Leader mtg 7:00pm Scouts	3 8:30 am Quilters 6:00 pm Prairie Rose Chorus 7:00 pm Financial Peace University	4 9:30 am staff mtg 5:30 pm Lenten supper 5:45 pm Lenten study 6:30 pm Kids Choir practice 7:00 pm LENTEN WORSHIP	5 5:00 pm Backpack prep (No Worship)	6 6:30 am Men's Breakfast Bible Study 9:00 am Backpack delivery	7 9:00 am Altar Guild		
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March Announcements



St. John
Lutheran Church
e-news!

Get weekly updates delivered to your inbox! Sign up for E-News at www.stjohnelc.org!

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

during Lent

SUNDAYS : 8:00 & 10:30 AM

9:15 AM LENTEN STUDY-PARABLES

WEDNESDAYS : 7:00 PM

5:30 PM LENTEN SUPPER (MISSION TRIP FUNDRAISER)

5:45 PM LENTEN STUDY-PARABLES

6:30 PM KIDS CHOIR PRACTICE

REGULAR THURSDAY EVENING WORSHIP WILL RESUME APRIL 16TH.

LENTEN WORSHIP is held on Wednesday evenings. This service is very different from any other service. The worship liturgy is **Holden Evening Prayer**, led by musicians from the congregation.

Throughout Lent, we will hear parables and wonder how these stories from Jesus relate to our own lives. You will hear stories from St. John members who share about a time in their lives that relates to the parable each week.

Additional Lent devotionals from the ELCA and Luther Seminary are available online through St. John E-News, Facebook and on tables located throughout the building.



Does your child enjoy music and singing?

Let their light shine and share their beautiful gift by being a part of the **KIDS CHOIR!**

Practices will take place at
6:30 pm on Wed. evenings
on the 2nd floor.



“A Season of Imagination”

Jesus, a storyteller and teacher, often spoke in parables. Speaking to a first century Jewish audience, his parables were related to things they saw every day, like sheep. Someone once said, “If you hear a parable and think you understood it, you missed the point.” Parables are not codes to crack as much as they are meant to enrich our imagination of God’s profound presence in our everyday lives.

Beginning on March 1st, you are invited to journey into the parables for a *season of imagination*. Each week, we will dwell in one parable.

- Check Facebook to find a reading of the parable, often in a familiar voice told differently each day.
- On Wednesdays, a storyteller from St. John will tell you a story from his or her life that engages that week’s parable.
- Pastor Joe and Pastor Lisa will lead “Dwelling in the Word” with the week’s parable during the adult class at 9:15 a.m. & Wednesday evenings at 5:45 – 6:45 (come and get your Lenten meal and bring it to class!)



Lent is a time of reflection and repentance, of sacrifice and self-examination. But Lent is also a season of hope — hope in the work God is doing in the world, even in the most challenging times.

Safety and stability for refugees and migrants. The renewal of the earth. Sufficient livelihood for all. These are just a few of the things of which we dream, fueled by the Holy Spirit. This Lent, you’re invited to join together with fellow supporters to study, pray and give during ELCA World Hunger’s 40 Days of Giving. Accompany us as we journey with our neighbors in hope for a just world where all are fed.

Ways to give a gift:

- In the offering plate using an “ELCA World Hunger” pew envelope
- Give online at www.stjohnelc.org / GIVE
- Give an Easter Lily Memorial (*by April 1—forms located at the sanctuary entrance tables or online at www.stjohnelc.org.*)